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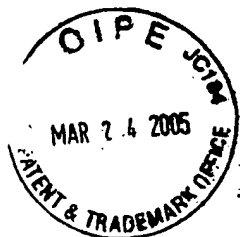
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Title: STORAGE DEVICE WITH VLAN SUPPORT	

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 14, 2005, the three-month shortened statutory deadline for response ending on April 14, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows: